Society of Pediatric Nurses (SPN)
2012 Annual Convention Call for Abstracts for Podium & Poster Presentations

The New Frontier: Pediatric Nurses Embracing Our Changing Environment

The SPN Program Committee invites you to submit an abstract for a podium or poster presentation at the SPN Convention to be held **April 19 – 22, 2012**, at Omni Houston Hotel, 4 Rivera, Houston, TX.

Topics should be related to one of the following:

Technology	Healthcare Environment	Multicultural	Other
• Simulation • Documentation • Equipment • Communication • Teaching Methodology	• Public Policy • Maintaining Best Practices / Evidence Based Practice • Quality & Safety	• Generational Issues • Health Literacy • Provision of Culturally Centric Care • Child Poverty	• Future Trends • Changing World of Chronic Illness

We welcome abstracts from nurse leaders, the novice to advanced pediatric nurse that fit into one of the following categories: **Clinical**, **Research**, **Evidence-Based Practice** (EBP) or **Education**.

Selection Criteria:

The committees will review abstracts for podium and poster presentations based on the following criteria:

- Applicable to the theme of the convention
- Originality of topic/presentation
- Presenter's professional background
- Application to practice

Abstracts submissions:

- Abstracts must be in narrative form and not exceed 300 words.
- There should be NO identifying information in the body of the abstract.
- Clinical and Education podium presentations are 60 minutes in length.
- Research and Evidence-Based Practice podium presentations are 20 minutes in length.

Please send your Abstract Application via email to L.Schabowski@TechEnterprises.net by August 8, 2011.

Clinical, Research, Evidence-Based Practice and Education

Abstract Criteria

Both ongoing and completed Clinical, Research, Evidence-Based Practice (EBP) and Education projects may be submitted. Ongoing projects may be submitted for poster presentation only. Completed projects may be submitted for poster or podium presentations.

Clinical Podium Abstract Criteria – The podium presentation reviews a clinical subject which is an insightful application or a creative and original solution to a pediatric issue/problem. The presentation utilizes a research, theoretical or evidence based practice framework and reflects best practice. The presentation provides information regarding the foundation for clinical decision-making or stimulates thinking about practice application.

Clinical Poster Abstract Criteria

- The clinical intervention described is an insightful application or a creative and original solution to a pediatric practice issue/problem.
- The background and purpose of the clinical intervention are clearly defined.
- The clinical intervention described enhances the foundation for clinical decision-making or stimulates thinking about practice applications.
- The clinical intervention is described within a research, theoretical, or evidence based practice framework and, therefore, reflects best practices.

Research Poster and Podium Abstract Criteria – Research abstracts should represent formal research projects designed to add to the body of knowledge in pediatric clinical nursing.

Abstracts summarizing research studies conducted in any setting that add to the body of knowledge in pediatric clinical care will be considered. Information submitted should be presented clearly and accurately with sufficient detail to identify:

Abstracts must contain the following headings:

- Background information/introduction – clearly stated and supportive of the significance of the research purpose/question to pediatric clinical practice.
- Purpose/Research Questions – clearly stated.
- Methods – research design, sample, setting, data collection, and data analysis methods are identified and appropriate for the research purpose/question.
- Results – sample description, data analysis and study results reflect the research purpose/question. If ongoing project, describe preliminary or anticipated results.
- Conclusion and implications – relevant conclusions and implications for pediatric nursing are provided based on the study results.

Clinical, Research, Evidence-Based Practice and Education

Abstract Criteria *(continued)*

EBP Poster and Podium Abstract Criteria – EBP projects should represent formal EBP projects designed to use research evidence to impact pediatric clinical care.

Abstracts summarizing EBP projects that impact the care of children and their families will be considered. Information submitted should be presented clearly and accurately with sufficient detail to identify:

****Abstracts must contain the following headings**:

- Practice problem and purpose – clearly stated, defines the problem that led to the project and is supportive of the significance of the problem to pediatric clinical practice.
- Purpose/PICO question – clearly stated
- Summary of literature – brief summary of the literature
- EBP Model/Process – identify EBP model, process used
- Outcomes – Describe project outcomes and the impact on nursing care and/or nursing practice for pediatric patients and their families. If ongoing project, describe preliminary or anticipated results.
- Conclusion and implications – relevant conclusions and implications for pediatric nursing are provided based on the project results

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Education Poster and Podium Abstract Criteria

- The educational program is clearly described and has implications for pediatric nursing.
- The educational program is based on identified needs.
- The purpose, objectives, content, and evaluation mechanism of the educational program are clearly described.
- The use of educational or learning theory is demonstrated.
- The strategies described are linked to evidence based practice.

Please fill out the application form in its entirety and send via email (scan/email) or fax along with your abstract in Microsoft Word Format, by **Monday, August 8, 2011**.

You must be an SPN member to submit an abstract.

2012 Annual Convention
Podium & Poster Presentations Abstracts Application Form
Due with Abstract by August 8, 2011

SPN Member #: _____ *(You must be an SPN member to submit an abstract.)*

First Name: _____ **Last Name:** _____ **Credentials:** _____

Company / Organization: _____

Position: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

Email: _____

Presentation Title *(100 Character Limit):* _____

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Presentation Type: ☐ Poster ☐ Podium

Category: ☐ Clinical ☐ Research ☐ Evidence-Based Practice ☐ Education

Theme: ☐ Technology ☐ Healthcare Environment ☐ Multicultural ☐ Other

Audience: ☐ Novice ☐ Intermediate ☐ Advanced

Objective #1: _____

Objective #2: _____

Objective #3: _____

Description: *(500 character max)* _____

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Introductory Bio: *(500 character max)* _____

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Additional Authors: _____

If selected to present a podium presentation, you must be available present on **Saturday, April 22, 2012**. Please provide all information requested on this application form and send via email to L.Schabowski@TechEnterprises.net along with your abstract in Microsoft Word Format by **Monday, August 8, 2011**.

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